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OFFICER JAMES KELLY
REF: BAMAKO 3673

FOR CHARGE FROM AMBASSADOR-DES. MCGUIRE AND SHERWOOD

1. DISCUSSED PROBLEM WITH AMBASSADOR EASUM, WHO TOOK UP DIRECTLY WITH FERMINO SPENCER, BOB SMITH, AND DON BROWN ON DECEMBER 3. COORDINATION OFFICER KELLY WILL SERVE UNDER DIRECTION OF AMBASSADOR OR CHARGE WHILE IN MALI, ALBEIT HIS ER WILL BE WRITTEN BY SPENCER WITH INPUT FROM AMBASSADOR/CHARGE, AS FOR EXAMPLE CURRENTLY FOR ADO MCADAMS. MAURY WILLIAMS DESIRES GIVE COORDINATORS MAXIMUM OPERATION AUTHORITY ON THE SPOT. HENCE THEY ARE NOT RPT NOT TO REPORT THROUGH ADO'S OR REDSO/WA. EASUM ACCEPTED SMITH'S POINT THAT AF AGREED TO LIVE WITH THIS SET-UP, BUT HAS OBTAINED AID-S ORAL CONCURRENCE THAT EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ASSURE APPROPRIATE COORDINATION,
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LIAISON, AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE WITH ADO'S AND REDSO.

EACH AMBASSADOR/CHARGE WILL WORK THIS OUT ON CASE BY CASE BASIS WITH HIS R AND R COORDINATOR. ONLY THROUGH ASTUTE EFFORTS ON PART OF ALL OF US CAN WE ASSURE MOST EFFECTIVE RESULT FOR DROUGHT PROJECTS AND OTHER AID ACTIVITIES, PLUS MINIMIZE POSSIBLE DIFFICULTIES AND MISUNDERSTANDINGS RESULTING FROM HODGE-PODGE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

2. AID/W IS DRAFTING COMPOSITE ACTION DOCUMENT THAT INCLUDES INTER ALIA COORDINATOR'S POSITION DESCRIPTION, DRAFT GRANT AGREEMENT GOVERNING PROJECTS THAT COORDINATOR WILL INITIATE WITH HOST GOVT. (WHICH KELLY AND YOU MUST NEGOTIATE WITH GOM), AND BASIC INSTRUCTIONS GOVERNING COORDINATOR'S ACTIVITIES. WE WILL REVIEW THESE ELEMENTS IN DETAIL WITH AID/W WITH YOUR OBJECTIONS IN MIND PRIOR TO CONCURRING. WE ANTICIPATE THAT AT LEAST FIRST DRAFT WILL BE AVAILABLE BEFORE ASST. SEC.-DES.-EASUM RETURNS OUAGADOUGOU TO WIND UP HIS AFFAIRS, AND THUS HE SHOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY REVIEW DRAFT WITH US. KISSINGER

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